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First Step to Preserve Estate: Valid Will

Editor's Note: Second in a series on estate planning and bequests by the vice president, Trust Department, Commerical Security Bank.

by R. James Steenblik

A person can easily spend over 104,000 hours building an estate. Most people will spend less than 10 hours protecting and preserving their estate through "estate planning". About 80% of all life insurance proceeds are spent within one year. One study indicated women own 62% of the wealth of this nation and 54% of all New York Stock Exchange Stocks.

These statistics indicate that we are less than diligent in our estate planning and that women are the beneficiaries of most estates. It is

for the benefit of others that most planning is done.

When considering our estate planning, our plan needs "compassion and integrity". Thinking of a handicapped or less affluent child or a worthy charity should be part of the compassion of planning. Don't be like the bank loan officer that had a glass eye. When his customer pled poverty, illness and all other human problems, the loan officer was seen to have a tear in his eye. That was the glass eye.

Find the true compassion to consider the needs of all worthy beneficiaries, and those not so worthy. Should a spouse have assistance in managing assets or should a child be given their inheritance a little at a time so as to not squander it? Perhaps a trust for their lifetime would be appropriate.

Once a person has found the compassion to formulate a plan this plan needs to be put into action with "integrity". Such integrity is shown in the Will of Wolgith. The will of this widow survives in one copy only, a twelfth century version of the original text preserved in the

Library of Christ-Church, Canterbury, in Register C.

This Will was made in 1046. After giving away her earthly estate she makes this statement, "and, he who would ignore my Will, which I have executed with the witness of God, may he be denied this earth's joy and may the almighty Lord who created and shaped all beings shut him out of the gathering of all the holy ones on Doomsday; and, may he be taken to Satan, the devil, and to all his bedamned companions, to the pit of Hell, and there suffer, with enemies of God, without ceasing, and never bother my heirs."

King Edward and many others are witness to this. Such "integrity" is accomplished by having competent legal counsel help us plan our estates. Today's laws put just as much importance on a person's Will as did Wolgith; it is important therefore, that it be executed properly.

In our planning, remember that one way to preserve a bit of *our life* and family history is through a bequest to the Sons of the Utah Pioneers.

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Reunion with School Principal is Good Example of SUP Friendships

In 1984, while attending the seminar at Mesa, Arizona, I sat next to Vice President J. Darwin Gunnell's wife. In the course of conversation I found she was from Northern Utah, close to where I was reared, her maiden name being Adams.

I asked if she was related to Lyle Adams, who had served as principal of the Thatcher School when I was in the 3rd and 4th grades. She said, "he was her brother. I asked, "Where is he now and what is he doing?" She answered, "he's sitting just 3 seats down from the head table, eating."

I soon made myself re-acquainted and, needless to say, we had many questions to ask each other. He had gone back to dental school, graduated, practiced in California and had retired and was living in Mesa.

This year at the Seminar, he brought a Thatcher School year-

book his students had prepared. Again, we spent much time reminiscing.

This story is typical of finding old friends in the National Society. It seems where ever LaRaine and I go, we find old friends or acquaintances of good friends. It seems this organization is the most congenial and the most friendly group of people anywhere.

We all have a common interest, that of honoring our forebears, who gave us the many advantages we enjoy today. We do this through the memorialization program, through the library we are putting together, through the placing of markers at historical sites, and through the lives we live and the examples we set.

Let each of us make sure our family pioneer names are accounted for in our National Headquarters and their life stories in the library.

I want to thank each of our national officers for their fine work



Dr. Lyle Adams reviews yearbook with his former student, SUP President Verl L. Petersen.

and cooperation. They are efficient and dedicated individuals. I feel we are progressing toward our goals and objectives, and with your help, as members in the individual chapters, we can accomplish our purpose and goal.

LaRaine and I enjoy so much visiting in your chapters, please let us know when and where we can come.

*Verl L. Petersen
National President, SUP*

Executive Secretary Commends Voluntary Service by SUP Units

by Glen Greenwood

To the stalwart members of Sons of Utah Pioneers:

It is an honor and a privilege to work with such fine, dedicated men in this organization. We feel that much can be done to honor our ancestors and their struggles to attain freedom of religion and freedom from persecution. As the beneficiaries of their labors, we can do much to show our appreciation of their sufferings and sacrifices.

There are many of our chapters doing such an outstanding service for their ancestors. Many of their ancestor's names have been memorialized for the knowledge of future generations. Monuments and plaques have been placed to record their attainments.

The increase in Life Memberships has been gratifying, because this shows a continuing interest in the

organization and its' ideals.

To those chapters which have sent in 100% of their dues, we extend our heartfelt thanks. To those which have sent in a portion of their dues, we extend our thanks for those sent in, but we also appeal to you to complete the collection of the unpaid dues.

The success of this organization depends upon the diligence of each individual chapter. We appeal to each chapter president and his committee to complete their dues collections and get their group current.

We thank all those chapters which have sent in their list of officers; also those who have sent in a complete list of their members. Your cooperation is most gratifying.

We must rely on each chapter president or secretary to inform this office of changes of address, deaths, snowbirds, missionaries and widows

of Life Members, so that our mailing list can be kept current and correct. Each time a magazine is returned with an incorrect address, it costs us from 30¢ to 75¢ postage.

We do feel a vote of thanks is due all those officers who give of their time to promote the ideals of this great organization. And what would we do without the volunteers who are helping in every facet of the S.U.P.? There are those who help in the office, in the maintenance of the building and grounds, in the work of the various committees, in the distribution of the magazine, and most especially, those who are working on the chapter level to promulgate the ideals of the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

Again, we extend our heartfelt thanks for what you have accomplished, and an appeal to those who have not yet accomplished all they could.

Last Chance for SUP Units to Order Song Books

by Mark Nichols, Chairman
Music Committee

The time chapters may place orders for the SUP song book has been extended to May 15th. The song manuscripts will be placed with the printer shortly after this date so the number of books published will be governed by the orders at this time.

The song book will include a wide variety of songs, about one third of which will be original, SUP and Pioneer oriented, numbers which have never before been published.

The book will also include patriotic songs, fun songs, holiday related songs, hymns, love songs, exhortation songs and others numbering a total of 80 or more.

Chapter members may order songs to be included in the order for the chapter which will be made on the questionnaire form that has been sent to all chapter presidents.

Fund supporting chapters which order books in numbers equaling half or more of the chapter membership will be listed in the preface of the book along with their presidents and song leaders.

The price of the song book is \$5.00. To publish it at this price will require at least 500 books. Present orders received indicate that at least this number will be printed. Undoubtedly a second edition of a SUP song book will not be published for many years to come. For this reason every effort is being made to acquaint chapter leaders with this.

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Canyon Rim Heritage Chapter -- Robert A. Bailey, C. Glenn Conover and Robert G. Knapton.

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Ogden Pioneer Chapter -- Lyle P. Richins.

Sierra Chapter -- Lyle Coleman.

Twin Peak Chapter -- Larry Stevens.

Buena Vista Chapter -- Elmo Phillips.

At Large Members -- Robert J. Adams, Robert F. Driver, William Dean Fausett, A. Edward Schmidt and Robert L. Thompson.

Family and Competition Runners Combine in ‘Brigham’s Challenge’ Relay on June 1st

The 40-mile Mormon Pioneer Trail between Henefer and This is the Place State Park will be the route for a novel runners’ event on June 1. It will feature casual family and group running teams and individual competitors on separate parts of the route.

Sponsors include National Society SUP, Pioneer Relay chapter, the Brigham Young Family Association and the Coalville, Morgan and Monument Park Stakes of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. The Pioneer Relay Chapter was formed primarily of participants in the Nauvoo, Illinois to Salt Lake City Pioneer Trail Relay held in 1979.

The Family Fun/Group race will begin at 7 a.m. over a course of 30 one-mile laps from Henefer to East Canyon Junction, between Emigration and Parley’s Canyons. Entry fee is \$5 per team. Coalville Stake has the first 10 miles, Morgan Stake the second 10 and Monument Park Stake the last stretch.

A 10-mile race for individual distance runners will commence at 9:30 a.m. from East Canyon Junction, go over Little Mountain and down Emigration Canyon to the east gate of This is the Place Monument, and includes the beginning part of the Deseret News July 24th Marathon. Entry fee is \$2.75 per person.

Pre-registration by mail is requested by May 25. Additional entries will be accepted at the starting points during the hour before the Family Fun relay and from 7:30 to 9

a.m. for the 10-mile run. A program honoring all participants will be held at noon at This is the Place Monument Amphitheatre. Ribbons will be presented to all runners in both events, and awards to men and women winners in various age groups. Commemorative shirts can be ordered at \$4 each.

Information on the event is available at SUP National Headquarters, telephone 484-4441, according to co-chairman Dave Quist and Ralph Carlson. John J. Nielsen, National SUP Director and Presidents Richard Osmond, Coalville Stake, Loren Ponks, Morgan Stake, and Jon Huntsman, Monument Park Stake are also assisting in planning this unique event.



Construction of new water pipeline for Salt Lake City kept SUP Headquarters partly isolated, parking lot torn up during April.



Astronaut Jake Garn

SUP Life Member Travels into Space

Senator Jake Garn (R-Utah and SUP Life Member #900) was a crew member on the oft-delayed space shuttle mission of “Discovery” from April 12 to 19.

Senator Garn is an experienced pilot and is chairman of the Senate Housing and Urban Development and Independent Agencies Subcommittee which oversees the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), which conducts the U.S. space shuttle program.

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Today's Diaries Honor the Past, Bless the Future

by Ronald O. Barney
Church Historical Department

Note: Mr. Barney coordinates the excellent series of historical articles by City Creek Chapter members.



For several years now the *Pioneer* has published articles comprised of biographical sketches of Utah pioneers. Most of the pioneer sketches have been men but some have been women. Some have been reports of characters from the rural outreaches of the Great Basin and others have been from the few urban centers. The degree of material wealth of these pioneers has varied with each sketch, no doubt. Some had great influence, others had less.

What is, after all, the purpose of conveying these pioneer lives to the modern mind? Just information? Though separated by only a dozen or so decades, our worlds are dramatically different. Are these people worthy of our attention beyond putting flesh and muscle on the bones of our genealogy charts? And perhaps more importantly, when four generations have risen in our dust will they look back ten decades and see anything of value from our efforts?

I have read many diaries and journals through the years. I have the certain feeling that the people who

troubled themselves sufficiently to write what was happening in their lives did so to say something to someone. Even if these people became diarists because they were told to, most wrote with purpose.

On the other hand, rarely have I read a diary that kept my interest through every day or even every year. The intensity of living ebbed and flowed. Perhaps one would logically assume the urban centers were of a higher quality with a greater "abundance" of living. Yet some of the most compelling journals I have read were written in barren regions where routine was the way of life. Refusing to investigate a historical person because of the lack of the apparent accoutrements that we associate with interesting living, often leaves us ignorant of some of the best material with which to appraise the past.

They Wrote

To me, as a student of the past, the important element from those who wrote was just that -- they wrote! Some were more articulate than others. But without the pen or pencil set to paper -- via journal or correspondence -- there could be no appraisal by us of the past.

I am assuming of course, that we all think there is value in viewing the lives and events of those who preceded us. Spencer W. Kimball once said, "People who care nothing for the past usually have no thought for the future and are selfish in the way they use the present. When there is proper regard for the past and its people, we enrich the present as well as the future."

Will and Ariel Durant in *The Lessons of History* have shown that life today has parallels in every recorded culture through all recorded time. *The Lessons of History* is a synthesis of the timeless topics and points of illumination that caught the eye of these great generalist historians while writing their monumental eleven-volume series, "The Story of Civilization." Despite vast differences in culture, governmental systems, subsistent or abundant living, people were confronted with the vicissitudes of life in the past in a manner sufficiently close to those of the present to warrant our attention.

Utah Pioneers A Microcosm

The Utah pioneers were a microcosm of the world. We learn much by the study of their behavior and attitudes. Indeed, there are few marks on the continuum of human living that could not be supplied with footnotes from the Utah experience.

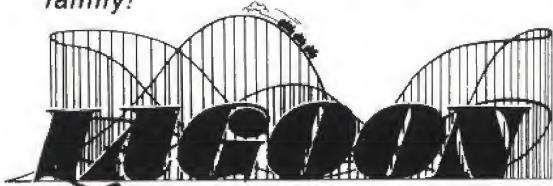
For example, just a few years ago I was asked what my feeling was concerning Leonard J. Arrington's significant volume, *Great Basin Kingdom*. It had been several years since I had read it in college and a number of things went through my mind supportive of the wonderful reputation earned by the book. But what I blurted out was that after the Mormon pioneers came to Utah they literally created a home from nothing.

Their predominate strategy was to become self-sufficient so as not to have to rely on the outside world which had expelled them. To become self-sufficient meant experiments in agriculture and industry that

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would provide the necessities for them to survive and prosper.

To make a long story short, they made attempts at a cotton industry, an iron industry, a lead industry and agricultural enterprises in sugar and wool. These ventures consumed hundreds of thousands of scarce dollars and the equivalent in manpower as thousands of people were involved.

Some Ended in Failure

These efforts spanned about two decades and yet many of them ended in disappointment, even failure. But the pioneers didn't pack up and say, "It won't work. I've put in my time. I'm going back to the states." Instead, they had been assured by their leaders -- which, in turn, was confirmed in their souls -- that no matter what temporary failure may come, the end would be success.

Now, anyone today can learn from that! Refined people rather than refined sugar was far more important to the early Utah settlers.

It is easy to get interested in the life story of an individual generally famous and praised by others. Most often the reason for their familiarity is because of who they were and what they did. Newspapers, wanting a story, would focus on an individual about whom they could get information, especially those whose lives were affecting their readers. And because some people -- later to become famous -- wrote of themselves, they found their way into public attention.

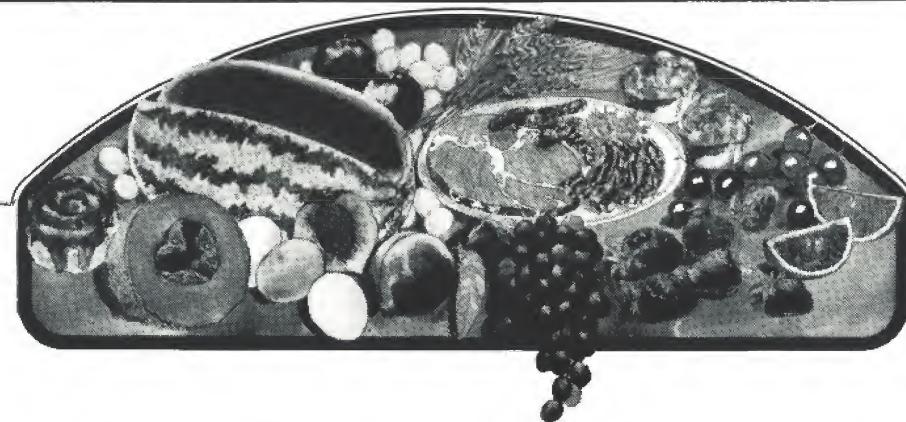
But, as the great Utah historian Dale L. Morgan reminds us, "Who shall say whether the thousand existences in silence do not more nearly reflect the scope of human experience than the fiercely spot-lighted existence that survives as history." No matter how humble the people whose sketches grace this periodical and others, they can be great teachers if we are but willing students.

Live -- and Write

Concerning the implications suggested earlier regarding our own legacies perhaps we would be wise to do two things. First and most importantly, create our lives to be vehicles of the human experience, live our lives to the fullest. Make preparations and then *do* things that can be useful to our posterity. To paraphrase the scripture, "You are not, because you do not." In the words of Harold Goodro, "Crowd a lot of life into every day."

After we have conformed our lives to a philosophy and behavior of doing then the second thing to influence our posterity is to *write*. Become a journal writer. Write short essays. Write long essays. Write letters.

It is not presumptuous of us to think that we have something to offer our posterity. When we are gone those who care about the past will care about what we have to say and what we have done. Perhaps the only way we can prove that we have learned from the past is to live like there will be a future that may have an interest in us.



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Brigham and Bridger: The Men and the Fort

by Darel P. Bartschi
East Millcreek Chapter

This Mr. Bartschi's second major article in recent issues of PIONEER.

Nineteen-year-old James (Jim) Bridger stuffed frontier newspaper, the *Missouri Republican* of March 20th, 1822 into the hip pocket of his homespuns and hurried up the dusty streets of St. Louis to seek out Major Andrew Henry. Bridger had had an erudite friend read to him the notice appearing in the Republican. It read:

"To enterprising young men; The subscriber wishes to engage one hundred young men to ascend the Missouri River to its source, there to be employed for one, two, or three years. For particulars, inquire of Major Andrew Henry near the lead mines in the County of Washington, who will ascend with and command the party, or the subscriber near St. Louis - signed - William H. Ashley."

Bridger was enterprising, young and interested. He was among the first interviewed and hired by Major Henry, beginning a two-decade adventure which would establish him as the Dean of Mountain Men - a legend in his time and perhaps the most recorded, renowned and illustrious Mountain Man of the west.

Bridger was to explore the great west for more than twenty years - poking and probing into every creek, crevasse and canyon in search of furs and adventure. Somewhere along the line, Bridger seems to have acquired the munificent title of "Captain".

Bold and Bewildering

His escapades were bold and sometimes bewildering. Missionary Doctor Marcus Whitman happened to be at the 1835 rendezvous when Bridger complained to the doctor of a slight pain the back. Doctor Marcus discovered that Bridger was carrying a Blackfoot arrowhead embedded deep in his back, the



*Jim Bridger
Trapper, Trader*



*Brigham Young
Prophet, President*

result of a skirmish three years before.

Striking the bone the arrowhead had now been encased in "cartilaginous substance . . . it was a difficult operation" . . . "The Doctor pursued the operation with great self possession and perseverance and the patient manifested equal firmness".

While trapping with Captain John H. Weber in northern Utah, explorer Bridger floated his bull boat to the mouth of the Bear. As he floated out onto a vast expanse of water, he noticed salt crystalizing on his poling stick and was convinced he had reached an arm of the Pacific Ocean. He was only slightly off - he was afloat on the Great Salt Lake, the inland sea.

Bridger seems to have been given to wagery even in his spartan environment. Artist Alfred J. Miller has documented a scene of the 1837 rendezvous showing Bridger parading through the camp fully decked-out in a glittering suit of armor, astride his stallion with all the pomp and ostentation of a Sir Knight going into battle. The armor was a gift from Scottish Nobleman William Drummond Stewart. That armor suit may someday be unearthed in some unlikely spot visited by

Bridger in the far reaches of the Rockies, although it is not likely Bridger wore it in tending his trap line.

Artist Miller sketched Bridger's shenanigans in his famous painting, "Rendezvous". Miller wrote, "In the midst of them, Captain Bridger, in a full suit of steel armor, this gentleman was a famous Mountain Man and we venture to say that no one has traveled here within the last thirty years without seeing or hearing of him. The suit of armor was imported from England and presented to Captain B. by out commander". Miller's "thirty years" seems to be a rather poor calculation since Bridger joined Ashley's "enterprising young men" in 1822.

Constructs Fort Bridger

In late 1842, Bridger was 38 years old, and possessed of the keen shrewdness of the frontier when he joined with aristocratic frontiersman Louis Vasquez in constructing and establishing the soon-to-become famous Fort Bridger at Black's Fork of the Green River. Forty-four year-old Vasquez was an old adventurer with Bridger, also being one of the "enterprising young men" who signed up with Ashley in 1822.

The two unlikely partners were quick to recognize the unlimited possibility and profitability of a frontier trading post. The trails west were becoming crowded with adventurers and pioneers. The westering begun.

Colonel John C. Fremont had begun his exploration of the great Rockies and reported meeting the Bridger-Vasquez caravan busily shuttling between St. Louis and the Fort on the Green, stocking St. Louis supplies that would bring handsome profits at the newly established trading post while back-hauling furs to the burgeoning St. Louis.

In the intervening years between 1841 and 1847 Bridger had occupied, with various partners and business associates, four different sites for his trading post within a few miles of each other. The First was on the Green, the others on Black's Fork and tributaries. Apparently Bridger was an 1840 version of a "wheeler-dealer". The final site on Black's Fork was to become the famous-- or infamous--"Fort Bridger," a bur-

under the saddle of Brigham Young as he lead his people to the New Zion in 1847.

Young and Bridger Meet

On June 28th, 1847, President Brigham Young halted his buggy as three dusty riders appeared out of the river thicket as if from nowhere. Brigham's company of 143 men, three women and two children had left Winter Quarters in early April. They were by now a well organized and ordered company, trail-wise and perhaps just a bit trail-weary. The three riders said they were headed for Fort Laramie.

It was late afternoon, and since the Mormon company had made good time for the day's march, they decided the grassy banks of the Little Sandy would be a suitable night camp. The three riders, James Bridger and two Frenchmen, needed little persuasion to stop for the night, to meet the Mormons and, to partake of some good Mormon cooking at the invitation of Brigham Young.

It is not known whether Young and Bridger had ever met before,

but the diversity of their dominant personalities soon became apparent. Anxious and apprehensive of what to expect on the trail ahead, Young and his Associates "picked the brain" of Bridger far into the night. Bridger scoffed at the Fremont maps the Mormons were using and it was here he made the legendary wager - "offered to pay \$1,000.00 for the first ear of corn raised in the Salt Lake Valley". The Mormons declined the wager.

The next morning the Mormon Company pushed into the unknown hoping, with some skepticism, that Bridger had given them facts they could depend on about the trail ahead. Brigham was not overly impressed with Bridger's devotion to truth. The three horsemen pressed on to Fort Laramie.

On July 7th, 1847, the Mormon company pulled into Fort Bridger. Four days earlier, on July 3rd, William Clayton recorded, "At night President Young gave the brethren some instructions about trading at Fort Bridger and advised them to be wise, etc." Ostensibly,

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"Frozen Feet" Recounts Mormon Pioneer's Hardships, Triumphs

by Jean A. Jensen

Mrs. Jensen is granddaughter of William Ovie Anderson and widow of L. Marcus Jensen, East Mill Creek Chapter, who died January, 1985.



"We can't save them. Your toes and heels are frozen on both feet and must be removed." William Ovie Anderson heard kind neighbors pronounce this verdict after they had found him standing on a rock when he was lost in a snowstorm while trying to cross the mountains on foot between Kamas and Gorgoza, Utah.

In February, 1875 he had visited his family in Kamas expecting to be gone about two weeks. Because of severe snowstorms he could not return to his wife and family in Gorgoza. His wife, Elsie, was expecting a baby. According to journals, "Mr. Anderson left Kamas to return to Elsie but was lost in a raging blizzard and wandered in circles for hours. When found, his feet were frozen and it was deemed necessary to remove his heels and toes."

There was no hospital to receive him, no doctors or nurses in white uniforms or shiny, sterilized instruments and anesthetics to relieve the pain. Phineas Young, a neighbor, was standing there with his saw in his hand. William tried to smile, but the pain was overpowering and the sight of his feet with their black toes and heels made him ill. He gritted his teeth and grasped friendly hands outstretched to help him endure the pain. As the saw went back and forth he lost consciousness but his mind recalled his life and the circumstances that had brought him to this particular spot at this particular time.

His father, Hans Anderson, had died when William was six years old, leaving his mother to earn a livelihood by spinning for him and three other children. They were members of the Luthern Church in Copenhagen, Denmark, where William had been born December 22, 1826.

William saw himself as a youth of fifteen years being baptized in a tin tub up three flights of stairs. He had helped carry the water for him and several others to be baptized into the Baptist Church by J. P. Lorenzen, who later received the gospel in its fulness and emigrated to Utah.

Baptized, Sought by Police

The police arrived after the baptism and wanted their names, but he had hidden and they didn't find him. He gave himself up later but because of his age he was not imprisoned with the others. The Baptist group broke up into three factions, each of which diligently read and studied the Bible.

He had joined the group known as "The Perfect." This group believed that it was sin to go to war and to take up arms against the enemy. They based their belief upon Matthew 26:52 - "For all they that take the sword

shall perish with the sword." Also, upon Matthew 5:44 - "Love your enemies, do good to them that hate you."

William had always felt that they were lacking something and his group fasted and prayed to the Lord asking Him to reveal His will unto them, for it was their desire to unite with His true church if such was found on earth. He could see himself having to register to be a soldier when the war broke out between Denmark and Germany.

As a result of a petition written to the War Department on his behalf by his friend Edward Schweneveldt, he was excused from going to war, but had to wait in a military training school until official release was given. The petition stated his belief about not taking up arms and also that he did not believe in swearing on an oath. The answer said they would take his "Yes" in place of an oath but this he refused to do.

He was kept in the school and he could remember the time when he had tried to preach to the soldiers and call them to repentance. They had taken him in a room and locked the door and had beaten him with their sword scabbards until he could not stand on his legs.

He was taken to the main guardhouse on Kongens Nytorv and held prisoner for five weeks. He had received 166 Skilling (about ten cents a day) for living expenses but had saved out enough to buy a Bible. (The bookmark used when he read the Bible is in possession of the author. He had read the Bible eighty-two times during his life.)

He jerked violently as the saw cut in at his heel, but mercifully lost consciousness again and relived his "Dark Arrest" -- the five days when he was shut up in prison and could not see his hand in front of his face. They allowed him to hear his mother's voice as she said she would rather see him go to war than to suffer in this black hole.

He had not weakened, however, because he would rather suffer death than shed blood. He had used his Bible as his pillow and had no bedding. With a Baptist friend, Peter Nielsen he was held prisoner for two weeks and sentenced to lie in a bent-up position for twenty-four hours with hands and feet tied together.

Bread and water had been their diet for twenty-five days. The officers were finally convinced that he could not be forced to go to war. They permitted him to work in the saddler's shop until the time of his service expired.

Shortly after his release, he married Marie Larsen, whom he had known for several years. They were married by Hans Hansen, who was presiding over a congregation of the "Perfect."

It was June, 1850, when he first heard of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and became acquainted with the missionaries who had arrived from America. It was in Bredgrad that he found them in a

room rented from a Mr. Malling. He remembered a long talk with Apostle Erastus Snow after he had read "The Voice of Truth" which Brother Snow published, and the Book of Mormon. He was investigating the church thoroughly when he became seriously ill and was hospitalized. At his wife's request, Brother Snow and P.O. Hansen visited him.

Healed by Blessing

Brother Snow asked if he believed what was written in the Bible about the healing of the sick through prayer and anointing. He answered that he believed it all and asked them to lay their hands on his head and pray to God in the name of Jesus Christ that he might be healed. He was healed immediately and became a faithful attender of the meetings. On January 26, 1851 he was baptized by Elder Charles Christiansen.

Brother Erastus Snow had taken him to Ishoj, where the smaller division of the Baptists called "The Perfect" lived. They were well received by them and all were baptized. Then in June, 1851 he had accompanied Elder P.O. Hansen on a missionary trip to Jutland. He was also the first Latter-day Saint missionary sent to the Island of Fyn.

He had arranged for a meeting in Aalborg but the police forbade him to hold it because of the many people who had gathered to harm him. He threw a handful of tracts into the crowd and escaped through a back door. He was assisted by a blacksmith and hid himself in a small room on top of a wardrobe next to a large piece of bacon.

Later in Grejs, he baptized a number of people. He remembered the persecutions, but also the warnings of the Lord. One time he was to hold a meeting at Sister Gertrude's place about four miles from Myborg but was restrained by the hand of the Lord. He learned later that a mob intending to harm him had surrounded her home. He remembered being the first missionary to Langeland.

It was on December 20th, 1852 that he and his wife Marie and their one child left Copenhagen in the Forsgren Company to sail for America. He remembered the joy he felt as he left the land where -- for the sake of religion -- he had been hated, scorned and ill-treated ever since he was fifteen years of age.

He could feel the sea breeze again and taste the ropey water which they had had to drink. He seemed to feel again the wheels of the heavily loaded wagon that passed over him as they crossed the plains and could remember another healing through anointing and prayer.

He could feel again the waters of City Creek where the whole company was baptized again as a token of the

renewal of their covenants. Most of the company had gone to Sanpete but he had worked for a man in Mill Creek area. Later he had labored at his trade of shoemaker in Salt Lake City and was ordained a Seventy.

Then had come more trials. His wife Marie had died after being sick for two years and the grasshoppers destroyed the harvest of the valley. He had eaten thistleroots and other roots to keep alive. He had been a guard to preserve the city when Johnston's Army came in 1858, but had a nasty growth removed on one arm, which kept him from participating in the expedition to Echo Canyon.

"Father Rhodes" and about twenty of the Saints went, at President Brigham Young's request, forty miles east to a valley through which Weber and Provo River, as well as Bear Creek, ran and they founded the present Kamas Prairie. The Indians had forced them to leave but they continued to settle.

He remembered how his dear wives, sisters named Dorothy and Elsie Erickson, had stood by his side. Elsie had walked with him from Gorgoza to Salt Lake City, Utah to be married in the Endowment House. Dorothy had lived in Kamas and Elsie lived with him in Gorgoza where their home had been known as the "Halfway House." He had hauled wood to Salt Lake City to earn a living.

The crude operation was now over and as consciousness returned to him, he knew that there would be another ordeal to overcome. From his own words, we read, "Some years ago I suffered the hard luck of having both my feet frozen in an attempt to cross the mountains a foot. After indescribable pains I got off with the loss of my toes and heels on both feet.

For a long time I had to use crutches, but if I am careful I can now go without a stick or any assistance. My life has thus hitherto been very thorny and full of hardships, but thanks to the Lord, I have kept the faith so that my desire and longing is still for the building up of the Kingdom of God upon the earth. The Lord grant that I may remain faithful to the end and inherit the life eternal."

Elsie, according to the Deseret News, Monday, December 16, 1968, gave birth to twins on March 5, 1875 at Gorgoza. The baby girl, Sarah, died, but a son William, survived. Snow, described in journals as "waist deep" and ground frozen so hard a grave could not be dug made it necessary to lay the baby girl away temporarily in the milk house. When Spring came, a grave was prepared. It was five months before William saw his baby son.

The William Ovie Anderson ranch was where Kilby's Restaurant used to be and the area formerly known as Ecker's Hill.

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Backstage Tour 2pm
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Play Orientation and Greenshow 7:15pm
THE MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR 8:30pm

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Literary Seminar 10am
Production Seminar: Costumes 11:30am
A Royal Tea 3pm
Play Orientation and Greenshow 7:15pm
ANTONY & CLEOPATRA 8:30pm
Play Orientation and Greenshow 7:15pm
TWELFTH NIGHT 8:30pm

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Literary Seminar 10am
Production Seminar: Actors 11:30am
Matinee 2pm
THE MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR
7:15pm
Play Orientation and Greenshow
TWELFTH NIGHT 8:30pm



Officer Training and Encampment planning were highlights of visit by national officers to Cedar City Chapter. Seated: Chapter President Clinton J. Hunt, National President Verl L. Petersen, National Vice President Foyer Olsen. Standing are new members inducted March 16.

Cedar City Readies Warm Reception For National Encampment August 29-31

by Clinton Hunt
Cedar City Chapter President

Plans are nearing completion for the 1985 SUP National Encampment at Cedar City, Utah, hosted by Cedar City Chapter. The three-day event is scheduled August 29-31 in the late summer vacation season among many natural and cultural attractions.

Some SUP members are taking advantage of the schedule and making the encampment the climax of longer vacation visiting National Parks and monuments including Zion's Canyon, Bryce Canyon and Cedar Breaks, and even Grand Canyon.

Shakespearean Festival

Others are adding additional performances during the closing week of the Utah Shakespearean Festival. The final week's schedule of evening performances, August 25 to 31, includes: "The Merry Wives of Windsor," Monday and Thursday evenings and Wednesday and Saturday afternoons; "Antony and Cleopatra," Tuesday and Friday evenings; and "Twelfth Night," Wednesday and Saturday evenings.

Other festival attractions include

daily play orientation and greenshows preceding evening performances, morning literary and production seminars, royal teas Monday and Friday afternoons, and backstage tours and Renaissance Feasts on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons.

Registration

Registration headquarters will be at the Southern Utah State College (SUSC) Field House, 400 W. Center Street. Registration will start at noon Thursday the 29th. Pre-registration deadline is August 15th.

Thursday evening, members can attend the Shakespeare play if they desire and purchase tickets. There will be a dance with live old-time band for those not attending the plays.

Cedar City has a good nine hole golf course for those wanting to relax before the activities start. It is located in the North East part of the city.

Charter Tours

On Friday the 30th, tours will be arranged if we have enough members to charter buses. For those who have their own transportation

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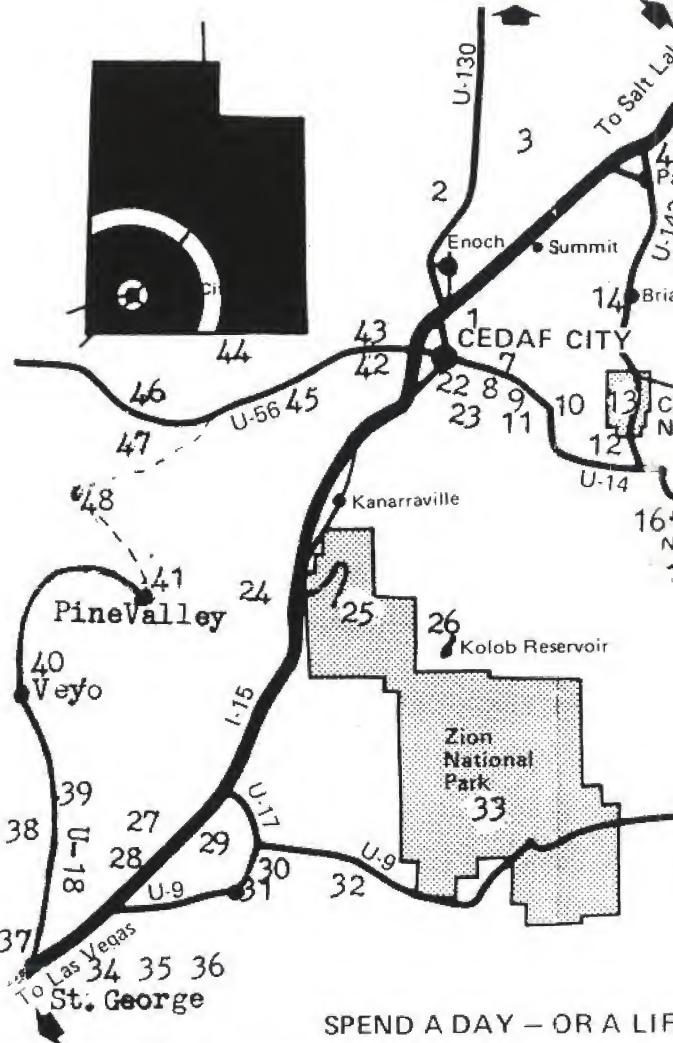
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- 23 Petrified Wood Beds - (Green Lake Pond) 2 mi.
- 24 Fort Harmony - view Finger Canyon, I-15, 15 mi.
- 25 Kolob Canyon - 5 Fingers, picnic, I-15, 15 mi.
- 26 Kolob Reservoir - fish, camp, 25 mi.
- 27 Silver Reef - ghost town, \$8 million silver, I-15, 34 mi.
- 28 Harrisburg - ghost town, I-15, 36 mi.
- 29 Red Cliffs - picnic, camp, 37 mi., off I-15
- 30 Hot Springs - (Pah Temp) LaVerkin I-15 to U-17, 30 mi., swim
- 31 Coral Sand Dunes - most colorful, near Hurricane, I-15 to U-17 to U-9, 45 mi.
- 32 Grafton - ghost town 1859, near Virgin
- 33 Zion National Park - camp, swim, visitor center, I-15 to U-17 to U-9, 65 mi.
- 34 St. George Temple - Visitors Center, I-15, 50 mi.
- 35 Brigham Young Home - St. George
- 36 Dinosaur Remains - St. George
- 37 Jacob Hamblin Home - 1854, Santa Clara, I-15, 60 mi.
- 38 Snow Canyon - I-15 to U-18, camp, picnic
- 39 Extinct Volcanoes Cones - I-15 to U-18
- 40 Veyo - swim, picnic, I-15 to U-18
- 41 Pine Valley - Pioneer Village, Church, wood for Tabernacle organ, camp, fish, picnic, I-15 or U-56, 45 or 90 mi.

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- 42 Ashcroft Observatory - U-56, 3 mi.
- 43 Old Spanish Trail - Dominguez-Escalante Expedition 1776, U-56, 5 mi.
- 44 Three Peaks - Arrowheads, U-56 N Lund Rd. 10 mi.
- 45 Quitchapa - Arrowheads, U-56 10 mi., lake
- 46 Iron Mountain - One of the largest open pit iron mines in nation, U-56, 17 mi.
- 47 Old Iron Town Ruins - Mormon iron making Coke Oven, picnic table, U-56, 22 mi.
- 48 Pinto - Old Mormon settlement, (Indian writings 1½ mi. off U-56,) U-56, 22 mi.

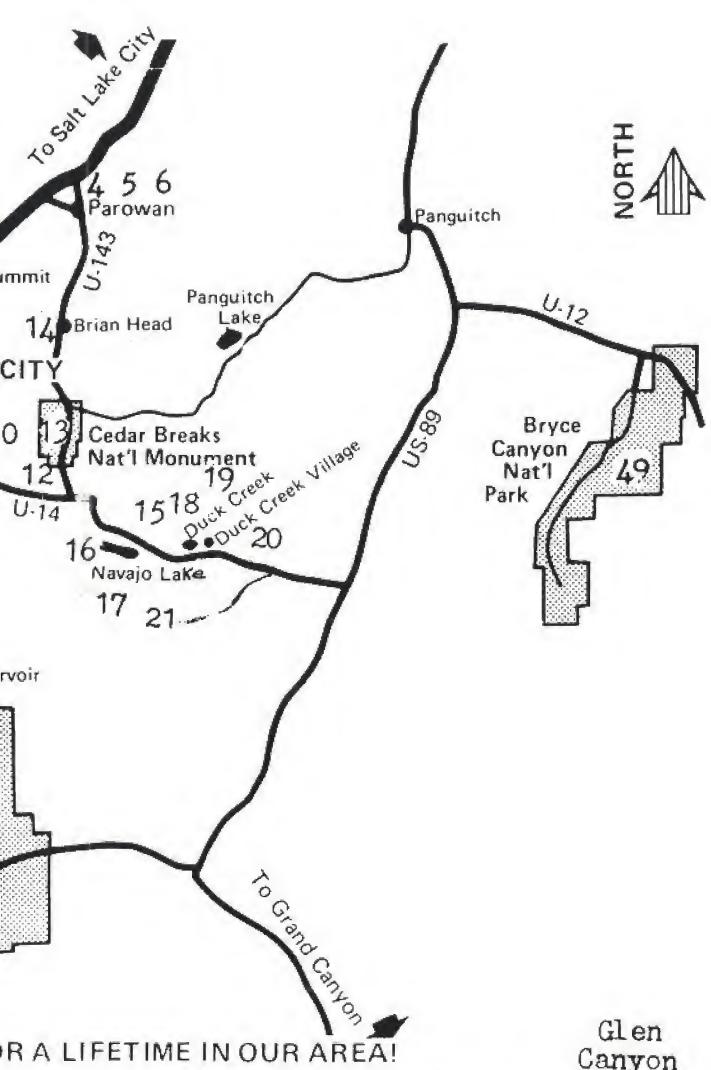


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NORTH OF CEDAR CITY

- 2 Rush Lake - Stage Stop, arrowheads, U-130
- 3 Parowan Gap Petroglyphs - U-130, 13 mi., E. 3 mi.
Little Salt Lake - 5 mi. from Gap
- 4 Old Church Parowan - 1870
- 5 Hidden Haven - Outdoor class room, Parowan
- 6 Parowan Canyon

EAST OF CEDAR CITY

- 7 Lime Cave - U-14, 1 mi.
- 8 Steam Plant - U-14, 1 mi.
- 9 Cluf Springs - U-14, 6 mi., right side
- 10 Ashdown Creek - Gorge Hike, natural bridge leads to lower Cedar Breaks, U-14, 8 mi.
- 11 Woods Ranch - picnic area, U-14, 13 mi.
- 12 Blowhard Radar Station - U-14, 20 mi.
- 13 Cedar Breaks - Lodge, Museum, Camp, U-14, 25 mi.
- 14 Brian Head Resort & Peak - Ski, picnic, camp, hiking, 11,307 ft., U-14 N, U-143, 30 mi.
- 15 Lava Beds - U-14, 25 mi., short jog off road
- 16 Navajo Lake - camp, fish, picnic, U-14, 30 mi.
- 17 Cascade Falls - short hike E. of Navajo
- 18 Duck Creek - fish, camp, picnic, U-14, 35 mi.
- 19 Aspen Mirror Lake - U-14 close to Duck Creek
- 20 Mammoth Cave - Volcanic rock, U-14, 38 mi.
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Long Beach Awarded New Charter; Will Host 1986 SUP Encampment

by Joseph S. Hellewell
Memberships

It seems there was a little boy who fell out of bed. His father got up and picked him up and put him back in bed. He then asked his son why he fell out and the little boy said, "I guess I wasn't in it far enough."

There is a concerted effort in SUP this year to enlarge the chapters and enrollment of new members. Pres. Verl Petersen's goals are more chapters and members. We need your help. We have gone through one third of the year and we are not doing too well.

A new chapter is being sponsored by the Holladay Chapter in Long Beach, California. It will be chartered on the 26th of April with 5 life members and 18 regular members. Some of you have loved ones in Orange County, California who would like to be part of this chapter. Here is your chance to help it grow.

The President is Paul Partridge, 6031 Wardlow Rd., Long Beach, California 90808. Write him or call him. They meet the last Friday of the month.

President Petersen has set a goal of 500 new members and 6 new chapters in 1985. We need your help. Are you like the little boy who fell out of bed who was not in far enough? How far into SUP are you?

Honor Roll of Chapters

(Monuments, Landmarks ERECTED by SUP)

CHAPTER	MONUMENT	DATE
Oquirrh Mtn.	Parley's Canyn. Inds.	12/82
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Union Fort	Union Fort Cemetery	5/84
Murray	Murray Smelter	7/84
Box Elder	Lorenzo Snow Grave	7/84
Ogden Pioneer	Indian Trails	7/84
South Davis	Big Mountain	8/84
Holladay/Potomoc	Camp Grant, Mtn. Dell	9/84
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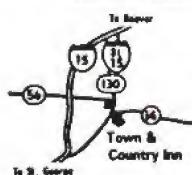
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Commander's Message

Put Best Attire on to Match Joyous Coming of Springtime

As spring approaches, the growing season will be with us; the grass, flowers, gardens, yes, everything will put on its best attire. I hope the Mormon Battalion will put on its best attire and grow and progress as everything else is doing. We can grow in numbers in all the Companies if we just put forth the extra effort as all nature is doing.

It is time for us to sprout and organize new Companies, spruce up the existing ones with new members, rejuvenate those that have started to

fall away, spray all members with enthusiasm and transplant those who have moved into our area. In short, to quote President Spencer W. Kimball, DO IT! DO IT NOW!!

Our Utah Division Seminar was very successful. Thanks to Lt. Col. Quentin Thomas and his officers for an outstanding job.

We look forward to your increased effort and activity.

*Col. John C. Richards
National Commander*



Col. John C. Richards



Col. John C. Richards, national commander, and Bertha B. Richards, auxiliary commander, with Lt. Col. Quentin Thomas, Utah Div. commander.

Battalion Training Seminar Draws Leaders, Partners to Logan Meet

by Major Stuart Richards

The officers of the Utah Division of the Mormon Battalion held an officers' training Seminar in Logan on Saturday, March 23, at 10:00 a.m. The seminar was under the direction of Col. John C. Richards, National Commander, with Lt. Col. Quentin Thomas, Utah Division Commander, conducting.

A general assembly was held and the National Officers were introduced. Col. Richards encouraged the Company Commanders to increase their membership and plan greater activities for their members. He urged them to be more excited in promoting the Battalion.

Lt. Col. Bertha Richards, National Auxiliary Commander, asked for more dedication to the Battalion and to put forth a greater effort to increase Auxiliary membership. 1st

Lt. Faye Eldredge, National Enlistment Officer, gave a stirring talk on having more enthusiasm for the Battalion so that others will have a desire to join our organization.

Sergeant Carl Larson and Sergeant Brent Bryner demonstrated the Manual of Arms and the various uses.

After this demonstration the Auxiliary met separately for their meeting with Major Barbara Reese, Executive Officer, conducting. Suggestions and ideas were presented to help the Auxiliary Commanders improve their Auxiliaries. A helpful and informative demonstration was given by Mrs. Willardson.

Lt. Col. Thomas conducted the men's departmental meeting. He had each National Officer report on their responsibilities so that the Company Commanders would know what their individual duties

were. Lt. Col. Thomas had this information duplicated so that each Company received a copy.

The program was furnished by members of Company D of Logan. Major George B. Everton Sr. sang a solo, Margaret Larson and Annette Bryner presented a violin duet with Arlene Anderson accompanying them, and Arlene Anderson, Ardeth Carlson and Margaret Larson played a piano trio. A delicious dinner was catered by Carroll and Glenna Draper. The day's activities adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

The following Companies were represented: Company A, Salt Lake; Company B, Sandy; Company C, Ogden; and Company D, Logan.

Our thanks and congratulations go to the Utah Division Officers, Lt. Col. Quentin Thomas, Commander, Captain Lyman Willardson and Captain Moyle Anderson, for a very successful Seminar.

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Dr. R. Raymond Green, President, receives charter for Mountain Valley Chapter from Executive Secretary Glen L. Greenwood and National President Verl L. Petersen during March 20 meeting.

Charter Presented to Mountain Valley

Dr. R. Raymond Green, president of Mountain Valley Chapter SUP at Heber, received the chapter's charter from National SUP President Verl Petersen, with Executive Secretary Glen Greenwood looking on at a recent chapter meeting. Many other national officers and East Mill Creek Chapter members attending.

Dr. Green was also presented a check for \$840.00 as the chapter's share of the surplus receipts from hosting the 1984 annual encampment.

President Petersen told of plans to charter a chapter at Long Beach, California on April 26 and a chapter at St. Louis, Missouri on May 9. The latter to be called the South Illinois Chapter.

Pioneer Chapter Plan For Days of '47

by Larry A. Eggett

The Pioneer Chapter's annual "Bring a Potential Member" luncheon was held in the Lion House on Wednesday, March 13.

Our speaker on this occasion was Maurine Brimhall, director of Utah Citizens for Decency.

Our daughters, daughters-in-law, and granddaughters were our special guests on April 10 for our annual Father/Daughter luncheon. We were very pleased to have Ardeh Kapp, general president of the Young Women, as our speaker.

The Pioneer Chapter again will sponsor the annual "Days of '47" Pioneer Day Sunrise Service in the Tabernacle on Temple Square the morning of July 24. The service will begin at 7:00 a.m., with one of the General Authorities as speaker.

We would love to have as many attend as possible, so plan now to join us for this special occasion.

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The second tour will be in the West valley to Old Iron Town and the Iron Mines where the iron was smeltered in Southern Utah and then South to the Kolob scenic area with beautiful red cliffs.

Friday evening is an outdoor barbecue on the grounds of the College President's home. After the meal we have reserved 400 seats for the Shakespeare performances this evening. (*Tickets must be reserved by JULY 1st.*)

Ladies' Treat

Saturday the ladies have a treat in store for them. Meeting and program will start at 10 a.m. in the Thorley Music Hall. A direct descendant of Joseph Smith will present the program. After the program the ladies will move to the Great Hall for a luncheon at noon.

Beehive Chapter Release R. Steed, Have New Officers

by Loren W. Ferre

Officers of the executive committee of the Beehive Chapter for 1985 have been installed by the members of the Chapter. They are President James Telford, President-elect Clyde W. Reaveley, Secretary James Patterson, and Treasurer Richard Tanner.

The SUP business meeting will start at 10 a.m. in the L.D.S. Institute Building. Luncheon will be at the College cafeteria at noon.

The afternoon will be a free period for members to visit local points of interest. There is a matinee of the 'Merry Wives of Windsor' at 2:00 p.m. for those that wish to attend and have tickets.

The presidents' banquet will be held in the SUSC Great Hall at 7:00. All meals will be furnished by the SUSC Food Services.

Past President Richard R. Steed was an excellent administrator and many programs were introduced and adopted under his leadership. Under his direction the by-laws of the Chapter were written and approved. New policies in regards to programs, dinner assignments and procedures were implemented. These have made the Chapter more efficient and enjoyable for all concerned. The membership increased so that we were able to qualify for a Charter in the S.U.P.

With the help of his good wife Shirley, President Steed decided the Chapter needed some song books. They set about selecting and compiling various songs, both hymns and secular, and bound them into a song book that we use each month at our dinner meetings.

We express to Richard Steed and his executive committee our thanks and appreciation for a job well done and the many guidelines and programs they instituted that have made the Chapter operate more efficiently and given it a strong foundation to build upon.

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Monthly Agenda Lively for Temple Quarry SUP

by Charles and Myrtle Wright

Bruce Elm, guest speaker at the February 14th dinner meeting of the Temple Quarry Chapter, told of the joys and sufferings of the early Pioneers. Slides were also shown as part of his presentation. Host couples were Reed and Enid Newbold and Glen and Donna Greenwood.

On March 14th, the dinner meeting was hosted by Golden and Carol Buchmiller and Leo and Elaine Bigler. They were assisted by Charles and Lova Bollschweiller and Ray and Lola Maughan. Vice President Buchmiller introduced Alice Morrey Bailey, poet, short story writer and sculptress, as the speaker for the evening.

Sister Bailey wrote her first published poem in 1916 when she was 12 years old. Since that time she

has written more than 400 poems. In 1971, she was named poet of the year. She has won many awards and firmly believes, at 81, that her best years are still ahead.

Evidence of her sculpturing ability was displayed at the meeting. The bust of Lawrence Epperson, Sr., founder of the Sons of Utah Pioneers and the first President, was completed by her after the original sculptor, Torlief Knaphus, suffered a stroke. She has done at least 17 portrait busts of people and has won honors at the State fair.

Our guests that evening were two Epperson sons, Lawrence Jr. and Vaughn with their wives, Gwen and Margaret Ann, also two daughters, Mary Epperson Gannon of Bountiful and Virginia Epperson James, Bethesda, Maryland.

To complete our enjoyable evening, Ann Bailey, wife of Sister Alice Bailey's grandson, led a group of Primary aged children in musical selections for our entertainment. We have two new life members in our Chapter -- Lawrence Etherington and Morris E. Newbold.

Our April 11th dinner meeting was again held at the Heritage Center in Murray. James Ostler, past president, introduced Andrew Iverson, a very accomplished pianist, who entertained the group.

Jeffrey Ostler, son of James Ostler, added to the spiritual side of our meeting by sharing his special experiences of a Church Historical tour that he had enjoyed. Host couples were James and Gloria Ostler and J. C. and Bertha Richards. They were assisted by Clyde and Lorraine Beckstead and Blaine and Verla Berrett.

Glen Greenwood, trek master, announced plans for two treks. The first will be on April 27th and the second trek will be in May.

Stephen Kirkham presented Golden Buchmiller with his life membership certificate and Sister Carol Buchmiller presented the life membership pin to him.

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Twin Peaks Chapter Reports Progress

by Marvin Spencer Stevens

This Chapter is proud to report its progress since it was formed sixteen months ago. We are continually growing in size and boast of a steady increase now amounting to forty-two members. Its members are encouraging friends to come and join in the fun and activities.

Speaking of activities, our members like to meet together and enjoy each other's company. It's funny how good food helps to accommodate the occasion and bring on an air of contentment. The Chapter holds twelve dinner meetings each year. An outstanding program and speaker at each one of them have made these a success and well worthwhile.

Last year we held a salmon dinner, the fish was direct from the waters of Alaska and donated by our esteemed Past President John Beynon. It was such a success that we are going to have another one again this year, tentatively to be held on August 17 as a patio event.

A brunch is planned for May 25 in a beautiful backyard setting.

Just to prove that we really like eating, a steak fry will be held on July 13.

The three events will be held at member homes.

Plans are well underway to have a

goodly number of our chapter to attend the national encampment in Cedar City in August.

An outstanding event is taking place April 27 through May 11, the Chapter is co-sponsoring a trek to Israel. Several of its members will have the trek of a life time.

Icing on the Cake

The Twin Peaks Chapter is blessed to have such dedicated ladies that decorate our tables and hall for dinner meetings.

Our special thanks go to those who have made the past year an enjoyable success. They indeed establish a most wonderful atmosphere to set the stage for our time spent together as a chapter. They are not just decorations, but a work of art.

The wives responsible are: Lois Allred, Amy Amundsen, June Beynon, Carita Conklin, Shirley Dunn, Kaye Garff, Georgia Hammond, June Oviatt, Helen Quist and Mary Stevens.



Receives Mission Call

Sister Mary Bateman, Chapter member and wife of the late Marlon Bateman, First President of the Temple Quarry Chapter, has left for a one year mission to the Atlanta, Georgia Temple. A farewell testimonial was held at the Sandy 3rd Ward on March 24th to honor Sister Bateman. Our best wishes go with her.



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Settlement Canyon Fêtes Chapter Wives

The Settlement Canyon Chapter of the SUP meets for its dinner-meeting on the first Thursday of each month. The members enjoy home-cooked pot-luck meals, have a good program, and listen to a biographical sketch.

Recently the 1984 officers each received a certificate of achievement. This inspired Frank Dunlavy, President-Elect, to write the following un-poem in honor of another group who regularly attends these meetings.

A TRIBUTE

A small tribute I offer at this time
To the most excellent wives of the SUP
In token of the many things they do
To make our lives complete and full.
For the food they prepare each meeting night,
For the tables that they decorate so well,
For their companionship and their caring,
For their pushing us to do our best.
Like the heart that pumps our lifeblood,
Our wives pump, not blood, but the joy of living
Into our daily lives - and we, poor souls,
Do take for granted this kind treatment,
With seldom a kind word or a pat on the back.
So hats off to the wives of the S.U.P!
May they have much joy now, in this present life -
And need not wait until they get to Heaven!

Frisbys' 60th Anniversary

Clifford and Blanche Frisby, members of Temple Quarry Chapter, celebrated their 60 wedding anniversary on April 6th. They were married in 1925. An open house was held at Cannon Stake Center.

Brother and Sister Frisby have lived in Salt Lake for the past 25 years. They have both worked for the Z.C.M.I. They had six children.

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National Leaders, Chapter Plan August Encampment

SUP National Officers met with Cedar City Chapter at the dinner meeting March 16.

President Verl Petersen, President-Elect Wayne Mallet, Past President and Executive Secretary Glen Greenwood, Vice President Wally Bates, Vice President Foyer Olsen and Memorialization Chairman Lynn Murdock with wives enjoyed a nice dinner and fine musical program.

A Sunday morning breakfast meeting was held with the chapter officers and chairman of the National Encampment Committee to discuss plans for the forthcoming National Encampment to be held in August at Cedar City.

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Arrington Addresses Temple Fork SUP

by Stuart H. Richards

Thursday, March 21, Dr. and Mrs. Leonard J. Arrington of Salt Lake City and their daughter, Susan Madsen, were guests of the Temple Fork Chapter of the Sons of Utah

Pioneers of Logan.

Dr. Arrington talked of histories and diaries and his biography of Brigham Young, titled *Brigham Young, the American Moses*, now available to the public.

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Twin Peaks decorating committee, left to right: Helen Quist, June Beynon, Lois Allred, Kay Garff, Mary Stevens, Amy Amundsen, Carita Conklin.



Wayne Mallet, Leon Adams, Spencer Madsen, J. Darwin Gunnell and Glen Greenwood with plaque recognizing 71 Life Members in Mesa Chapter.

Parley's Historic Park Chapter Launches Meetings

by Lyn McMurray

The recently organized Parley's Historic Park Chapter of the S.U.P. kicked off its search into our pioneer heritage with its first dinner program on Saturday, March 30th at national headquarters.

Over eighty persons, including representatives from the national organization as well as representatives of the sponsoring Canyon Rim Heritage Chapter, took delight in a sparkling keynote address by Brother William Hartley, a research historian from the BYU Institute of Church History, who, with touching stories and provocative questions invited all in attendance to perpetuate our heritage by learning the details

of pioneer history, preserving documents, and writing histories.

A group of gifted Suzuki violinists, many under ten years of age, put the cherry on the ice cream with a selection of numbers played from memory.

The new chapter, which consists primarily of young men and their wives, hopes to instill a love and appreciation for our pioneer heritage in a new generation of men, and has already registered seventeen of the required fifty charter members. It is hoped that the entire number will be registered within the month. Led by Tom Colemere, and Roger Mott as temporary officers, and guided by the seasoned advice of John Nielsen and Milt Widdison, the chapter looks forward with eagerness to the opportunity of learning and preserving the story of the Utah Pioneers.

Young men interested in joining the chapter can contact John Nielsen at national headquarters (484-4441) or at home (484-1113) or Gary Widdison (967-8218). The next dinner program is scheduled for Saturday, April 27th, at 7:00 p.m. at the national headquarters.

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Mesa Hosts Banquet For SUP Seminar

by J. Smith Decker

It was the privilege of the Mesa Chapter of SUP to host the National Officers at dinner Thursday evening, March 14. This was followed by a training seminar and workshop for all of the Arizona Chapters at 3:00 p.m. Friday.

The dinner was held at Sir George's Restaurant on South Gilbert and the workshop was at the 11th Ward L.D.S. Church in Mesa. All Arizona Chapters were represented except Andrew Kimball.

The National Officers did a splendid job in the workshop and left valuable information and suggestions for local officers to improve meetings and projects which will strengthen local chapters and support the National Organization.

Our Trek to Kitt Peak and the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum was mentioned, but the National Officers had commitments in Cedar City on Saturday.

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Golden Spike Event Recalled During May 10 Ceremony

The Box Elder Chapter is preparing for the Golden Spike Commemoration during the week of May 5 to May 11.

Local churches will be using special music and activities in their Sunday services, and civic and commercial clubs will present appropriate programs in their meetings.

The Sons of Utah Pioneers will conduct activities at their May meeting which informs the people of the area of the heritage they enjoy. Of special interest will be a report by Sarah Yates on the history of great women of Brigham City.

On Friday, May 10th, the Chapter will participate in the 36th annual re-enactment ceremony sponsored by the Golden Spike Association of Box Elder County at Promontory Summit, beginning at 10:00 a.m. They will serve as color

guard in the raising of the 20-star flag and offer a flag tribute and the pledge of allegiance. They will sponsor the annual Golden Spike Relay from Brigham City to the Golden Spike Site to carry the "Golden Spike" to be presented to the President of the Association during the traditional program.

The re-enactment cast who present the "Driving of the Golden Spike" each year are Chapter members, sons or close relatives of members of the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

The second Golden Spike Grande Ball and Promenade will be held Friday evening at the Community Center in Brigham City. Period or semi-formal attire will be the dress for the evening and the public is invited, with tickets available at the

The Cover

First meeting of Brigham Young, Jim Bridger; from Lynn Fausett mural at This is the Place State Park, courtesy Utah Parks and Recreation Division.

door or from members of the Golden Spike Board.

On Saturday, May 11, the annual Golden Spike Marathon from the Thiokol Chemical Site to Brigham City will be run. Members of the Chapter will support and participate in this event.

The Golden Spike National Historic Site has made available to the schools in Box Elder County a 16mm film of the building of the First Transcontinental Railroad . . . Chapter members will support and assist in promoting this film and delivery to the schools requesting its use, from April 17 to May 10.

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Bridger v. Young

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President Young had "read" Bridger correctly.

Woodruff Goes Fishing

Apparently the Saints spent several days at the Fort in rest and recreation. Wilford Woodruff wrote, "As soon as I had my breakfast next morning I rigged up my fishing rod that I had brought with me from Liverpool, fixed my reel line and artificial fly, and went to one of the brooks close by to try my luck . . . I fished two or three hours during the morning and evening and caught twelve in all. One half of them would weigh three-fourths of a pound each, while all the rest of the camp did not catch three pounds in all, which was taken as proof that the artificial fly is far the best to fish with."

The Mormon company moved on, as vanguard to the great migrations of 1848-1849 and years to follow. Most of the westering companies stopped at Fort Bridger to replenish, restock, trade and barter-- and to complain of Bridger's wretchedly high prices.

Claims and Counterclaims

It seems that the camaraderie and friendship of Brigham Young and his Saints with Bridger and his Fort was destined never to reach any great heights of faith, respect or trust. The Saints had scarcely been in their valley stronghold one year when, on July 16th, 1848, Bridger dispatched a letter to President Young:

"Blacks Fork

Mr President Sir

I am truly sorry that you should believe any reports about me having said that I would bring any number of Indians upon you and any of your community. Such a thought never entered my head and I trust to your knowledge and good sense to know if a person is desirous of living a good friendship with his neighbors would undertake such a mad project. Although I have reasons of complaint about a number of Coins of Base or Bogos Money in my

possession but the Individual from whom I received it I know not. I have got information of a Man in your Valley by the Name of Jack Redding who Passed two five Dollar Bogos Gold Pieces upon us last fall I expect you will see into it and as to the Others I willing to say no more about and believe Mr President I am Desirous of Maintaining an Amicable Friendship with the People in the Valley and Should you want a favor at my hands at any time I Shall always think myself happy in doing it for you

From your Friend and
Well Wisher
James Bridger X"

This letter is followed by two post scripts (PS), each signed by James Bridger and each requesting "favours" and the collection and remittance of funds allegedly due Bridger. Brigham Young's comment upon receipt of the letter was curt and concise; "I believe I know that Old Bridger is death on us, and if he knew 400,000 Indians were coming against us, and any man were to let us know, he would cut his throat." Bridger was 44 years old at the time - "Old Bridger" was not a term of endearment. From the beginning Brigham Young and James Bridger were at opposite poles of the frontier civilization.

Bridger Threatened

As the City of The Saints proliferated, and travel on the trail increased, Bridger found himself and his Fort beleaguered by pressure of Brigham's colonization and trade expansion. Bridger had lost his monopoly of the ferry business on the Green and his Fort was threatened by loss of trade.

Bridger may have sought relief or revenge based on the only code he knew - the Code of The Mountain Men. He has been accused of exciting the Indian Nations against the settlers and specifically the Saints. Charges and countercharges were filed in the nations capitol and before Territorial officials.

By the late summer of 1853 the friction was to become inflammable. Governor Young ordered

Sheriff James Ferguson to organize a posse and proceed to Fort Bridger to ". . . seize any illegal goods, arrest Jim Bridger, and bring him to Salt Lake City for trial." The warrant was issued by Associate Territorial Justice, Leonidas Shaver on August 17th, 1853. The 150-man posse marched into the Fort with firearms on ready. But, true to Mountain Man Bridger's reputation, he was not to be found. Desiring to succeed in at least one phase of their orders, the posse went on to the Green River ferry and engaged the mountaineers in a pitched battle. "Two or three" of the mountain men were killed and "much of their property, including whiskey" was seized. William Hickman, a Mormon Sheriff, later reported, "Members of the posse destroyed the good stock of whiskey and rum in small doses." There was now virtually an undeclared war between Bridger and his Mountain Men and Brigham Young and his Saints.

Late in 1853, Brother Brigham and the Saints had established within twelve miles of Fort Bridger their own settlement of Fort Supply. The Saints were closing in. In the spring of 1854, Hosea Stout stopped at the new Fort Supply as he traveled eastward. His comments were neither enthusiastic nor complimentary.

Hosea wrote - ". . . It is the most forbidding and Godforsaken place I have ever seen for an attempt to be made a settlement and judging from the altitude I have no hesitancy in predicting that it will yet prove a total failure"

Hosea was quite right about his prediction. The fort did serve, however, for a short time, the needs of the westering pioneers. Sagebrush and thicket have long since erased all evidence of Mormon efforts at Fort Supply 1853-1857.

Sold to Mormons

By 1855, Mountain Man Bridger, at age 51, was apparently feeling the crush of civilization - the Rockies were becoming too crowded. Mormon Officials in Salt Lake Valley desired control of Fort Bridger. After much controversy and bickering, Bridger scratched his X on an agreement to sell lock, stock and

barrel, for the sum of \$8,000.00. ". . . the following property to wit -Twenty miles square of land more or less upon which is situated the hereditaments and the Buildings known as Fort Bridger Buildings consisting of the ranch and herd ground together with all the right title and interest of the said party of the first part to all and every article of property belonging to said post including cattle, horses, goods, groceries and etc." This agreement was signed by Almirin Grow and Wm. A. Hickman, for the Mormon buyers and Jas X Bridger - Louis Vasquez, per H. F. Morrell, agent for the sellers. The Mormons had won this round. The Mormons took possession of Fort Bridger on August 5, 1855, with Lewis Robison as representative.

Fort Bridger under Mormon influence seems to have prospered. Life there was, by frontier standards, fairly secure. Except for the short growing season and grasshopper invasions, the settlers flourished. Almost two years later, to the day, on August 4th, 1857, Robison received a disturbing letter from Brigham Young. It read:

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Fort Bridger

Dear Brother;

Your note by Mr. Gillim came to hand today. We are glad to hear from you and trust that you will do well. We are all well and peace and prosperity attends all our efforts.

The most interesting item afloat at present is the reported expedition of Gen. Harney against us. We do not intend to

be taken this time, but we think they will not reach Fort Laramie this year, and then something will probably turn up to give them another direction. Be this as it may they will not be permitted to come into this Territory to plunder, rob and murder as seems to be their wishes and designs. . . . but (obtain) of the emigration all the guns and ammunition that you can at reasonable prices, although we expect to make our enemies furnish us what we shall need of those articles . . . that is if they come near enough to give us a chance, and if they do not we shall not need it. . . . Fix your guns for shooting but lay low.

*As ever yours
Brigham Young*

Brigham's suggestion that "something will probably turn up to give them another direction", turned up in the formidable hit-and-run guerrilla tactics of "Port", Orrin Porter Rockwell, Lot Smith, "Bill" William Hickman and others, vigorously supported by members of the still chafing, Nauvoo Legion. Colonel Albert Sidney Johnston and his Troopers found themselves scissored in the vise of a cold and unaccustomed land and the unrelenting attacks of the Mormon guerrillas.

Johnston's Army's Plight

In spite of atrocious hardships, Colonel Johnston and his troopers pushed on toward the two Forts; Bridger and Supply. But the Saints were not to aid the United States Army by leaving anything behind. On the evening of October 2nd, Lewis Robison torched the buildings and walls of Fort Bridger; at midnight of the same day, Jesse W. Crosby helped lay waste to the meager supplies and buildings of Fort Supply.

Forty-six days later, on November 18th, 1857, Colonel Johnston and his Troopers staggered into the crumbling walls of devastated Fort Bridger to take possession and to spend a bone-chilling winter alarmingly short of supplies for both men and animals. A week's travel away was the City of The Great Salt Lake, but

Johnston could expect no assistance from that source. Johnston and his men were a long ways from nowhere.

On April 6, 1859, after a short but stormy seventeen years as a civilian outpost, Fort Bridger, would be rebuilt and converted to a giant military fort serving an extensive territory of the "Mountain Man" Rockies, under Colonel Johnston's General Order #21, Department of Utah, dated September 9, 1859. It marked the closing of an era. Today the State of Wyoming welcomes the casual tourist to "Old Fort Bridger -Pioneer Trading Post" . . . - briefly describing Bridger as ". . . America's greatest frontiersman and the west's most gifted scout."

Deaths of Two Adversaries

James "Jim" Bridger would expend another two decades in futile efforts to establish further legal claims to the Fort. His death on July 17th, 1881 would close his illustrious career. His family and heirs would continue this claim for another eighteen years. In 1899, they were awarded \$6,000.00 for a stone and cement wall which, enough, had been built by the Mormons.

One can only speculate on the wealth of material Bridger could have left for historians had he been a dedicated diarist. Unfortunately, Bridger never acquired the ability to either read or write.

President Brigham Young was to guide his Saints in their widespread colonies and settlements, as well as the burgeoning Salt Lake City into a vast, yet close-knit empire. It is unlikely that Brigham and Bridger ever met after the Mormons took over Fort Bridger - their paths were too divergent. Unlike Bridger, Church President Young left great volumes of documented history of his time, some written in his own hand, much more recorded by scribes and secretaries. Much of this documented history yet remains to be discovered, researched and preserved by historians. The Church President had preceded Bridger in death by four years. The President died August 29, 1877 in his many-familied home in Salt Lake City, Utah Territory.



Chapter Eternal

Alma V. Smoot

Alma Vivian Smoot, 81, West Corinne, died February 22 at McKay-Dee hospital, Ogden, after a short illness.

Born April 21, 1903, in Provo, a son of Horace Alma and Edna Louise Stubbs Smoot. Married Martha Millard June 23, 1926, in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. She died May 1, 1971. Married Mary Millard Thorne December 6, 1972, in the Ogden LDS Temple.

Educated in Provo. Resided in West Corinne since 1931 and was in farming and president of the Utah State Farm Bureau federation 1955 to 1965.

Active in the LDS Church, served in bishopric in Corinne also a two-year mission for the church in Mesa, Arizona.

Surviving are his wife and five sons and five daughters; 48 grandchildren and 35 great-grandchildren. Also surviving are four sisters.

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Issac Homer Smith

Issac Homer Smith, 92, died January 30, 1985, in Fair Oaks, California.

Born June 9, 1892 in Draper, Utah, a son of Joseph Michael and Celestia Ann Brown Smith. Attended LDS Business College where he met his wife, Elizabeth Call. They were married on October 8, 1913 in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

Served two LDS missions in Hawaii. In 1932, he moved his family to Sacramento. Started a poultry farm in 1950. His son, Gerald, later joined him in the business, which operates as a wholesale outlet for egg producers in the Modesto area.

Called as Stake President, Patriarch in three stakes. He was a Charter and Life Member of the Sierra Chapter of the SUP.

Survived by his wife, three sons and two daughters, 26 grandchildren, 86 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

Memorial services were held in the Fair Oaks 2nd Ward Chapel.

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Harald B. Greer

Harald B. Greer, 81, of St. Johns, Arizona a retired cattle rancher, died January 25, 1985, at a Show Low hospital.

Mr. Greer was born in Eagar. He taught school for 20 years and had been a school superintendent for four years. He worked for the Arizona Highway Department from 1952 to 1972, when he retired. He was a high priest in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and served nine years on the St. Johns Stake High Council. Member, St. John, Arizona Chapter, SUP.

Survivors include his wife, daughter, two sons, three brothers, 13 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

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William J. Kendrick

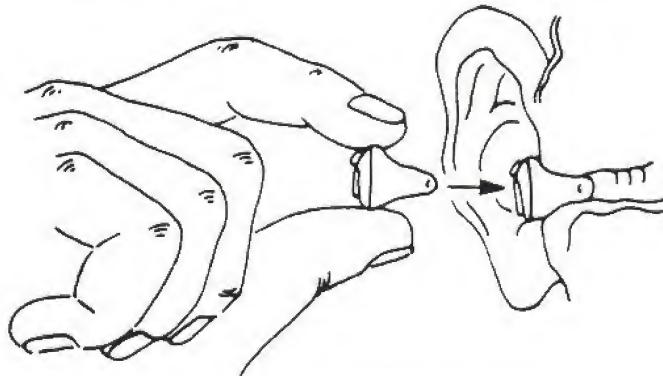
William John Kendrick, 77, College Ward Cache Co., died March 23, at Sunshine Terrace, Logan.

Born February 19, 1908, in Providence, a son of John and Susanna Jones Kendrick. Married Charlotte Elfrieda Beckert April 18, 1928, in the Logan LDS Temple. She died November 23, 1984.

Educated in Cache County schools. Member of LDS Church. He was a life member of the SUP and Mormon Battalion.

Survivors include one son and two daughters, 13 grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, one brother and one sister.

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